done for his countrymen, he will return to Washington in three days

It was announced definitely to-day that Millet's "Man With a Hoe" was lost in the burning of the William Crocker mansion. The Olympic Athletic Club has an architect at work on plans for a new building.

The old one was pretty badly wrecked. Eau Dr Washington Douge, city assess or. occupied his old bachelor quarters in the club building, he would have been killed. Fis bed fell three stories into the base ment It happened, however, that Mr. Dodge was in New York city at the time, being married.

Gen. Fred Funston has made this statement regarding the necessity of keeping the Federal troops in San Francisco:

The situation here is peculiar. The Government has never been called upon to cope with just such conditions as prevail here, and it is my belief that the War Department does not fully comprehend the unusual difficulties under which we are

"The presence of Federal troops is absolutely necessary to the good of the city. Neither the State, municipal nor Red Cross | Hippodrome Concert Adds \$7,000 to Reauthorities can adequately perform their regular duties without the aid of the regular troops.

"The impression seems somehow to have reached the War Department that our troops are doing regular police duty, but this of course is an erroneous understanding of the situation.

"The troops are on duty and acting in conjunction with State soldiers, municipal police department and Red Cross, merely as moral support, as it were. "The Federal troops are subordinate to

municipal control and in my opinion should be retained on duty. In fact, we should have 5,000 troops here to carry on the work, instead of the 2,500 now on duty." Chinatown has been shifted again. Once

more the meek Chinese have had to pack otheir little kits and take up the march on foot. The committee and the military authorities shifted them first from Fontana's canning factory near Fort Mason, to the Presidio golf links. Yesterday a committee of citizens liv-

ing and keeping refugees on the borders of the Presidio came into headquarters and protested. They said the odors of peanut oil and of untamed Chinese blown in from the golf links made life nearly unbearable in that district. The soldiers found a new location on the military parade grounds above Fort Point, and all that is left of Chinatown was transferred there this afternoon.

It is said-and, oh, the joy this saying has created among the bibulous population-that the ban on the sale of liquor will be removed next Wednesday. From a wide open town, which drank red liquor without regard to hour or day, San Francisco has become absolutely dry. Even the drugs tores have been forbidden, under penalties of which they are afraid, to sell liquor in any form.

The real San Francisco is as dry as the theoretical Maine in these days. There is no doubt that this temperance clause in the army regulations has saved a great deal of life. In the first night of the fire the poorer streets were filled with drunken men, filled up with free liquor. Undoubtedly this cost many lives.

The fire and Cupid together got gay with a pair of young San Francisco lovers and gave them the strangest honeymoon on record. A young man named Stevenson had won a certain young woman whose name is now Mrs. Stevenson. The wedding was set for April 18, the night of the earthquake. They managed to find each other and he had a license in his pocket already. So that night at the residence of the Rev. Dr. Adams, a Congregational clergyman, they were married without flowers Four candles, stuck in the tops

of bottles, furnished the illumination. The couple spent the night in a private hotel which the fire, fortunately, did not reach that night. In the morning they started out the bridegroom dragging the bride's trunk at the end of a rope and carry-packed to its utmest capacity.

The West Side Branch of the Y. M. C. A. ing his own suit case. They walked from the Western Addition to the ferry station, three miles. The only way to the ferry was down Market street. Two blocks from the ferry building they met a squad of soldiers who were making pedestrians throw bricks. The bridegroom was held up at the point of a gun and told to get to work. He pleaded that it was a bridal

That's the tenth time I've heard that dodge to-day," said the sergeant. "Dig,

The tearful bride sat on her trunk for five hours and watched her husband breaking his back. Then the regulars let them But the word had been passed down the line that it was a bridal couple, and Will Collect Rellef Funds Along the Line of a company of militia halted them a block further down and made the bridegroom work again. After two hours they melted at the sight of the bride's teats and let them go. They had been eight hours getting to the

Secretary of State Curry and Jack Barrymore, the actor, were two of the men who were caught on the third day. Curry had to work four hours and Barrymore three.

Aside from the group of steel structure buildings in the business district which still stand and which will be the nucleus of the new San, Francisco, there is a cluster of foundries, and factories south of Howard street which were not injured at all and which are in full blast. It is said that much structural steel for rebuilding can be produced in San Francisco itself. Despite the fact that it is Sunday there were thousands of laborers at work, preparing the way for thousands more who are to work

in the months to come.

The first sign of an amusement enterprise was fathered to-day by the municipality. The Sunday afternoon band concerts in Golden Gate Park are always a feature of life in San Francisco. The city the months to come. Government managed to gather the frag-ments of a band, which discoursed all the afternoon in the bandstand to cheer up

the homeless campers. There were church services, as on last Sunday, and again the porches of the ruined churches did duty as chancels, while all denominations had services in the open air of Golden Gate Park.

air of Golden Gate Park.

Gen. Greely, who has taken charge of relief measures, leaving to Funston the maintenance of order, has given out this plan for the systematizing of the relief plan for the systematizing of the relief work. The city is to be divided into seven districts and civilian employees are to be out the soldiers.

The housing committee reported to-day

that its work was about done. The applica tions for accommodations have ceased. The exodus, which is not nearly so large as it was three days ago, still continues, and the balance is rather against San Francisco than for it. A lot of people who intend to return later have taken tents to go and camp in other parts of the State, and the valleys of the Santa Cruz and Coast Ranges are heavily populated with campers already.

The street car service is extending daily. Yesterday it connected the water front and business district with some of the outlying suburbs where live the laborers whose work is in so great demand now. Day laborers' wages are up to \$2.50 a day. The city officials have found that the city

ury is intact. The vaults were in a part of the City Hall which was not touched by the fire. It was safe therefore to open them. The coin, securities and papers were scattered over the floor, but a count showed that nothing was missing. The vault contained (3,000,000 coin, \$8 10,000 in securities of the German avings Pank and many valuable records.

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#### BENEFIT NIGHT AT THEATRES.

SATURDAY EVENING CROWD OUT ALONG BROADWAY.

Bef Fund and Casino Show \$3,890-Actors' Fund Benefit Draws Well-Volunteers of America Raise \$7,000. Special San Francisco benefit perform-

ances drew crowds last night. Broadway and Sixth avenue, in the theatre district, were more crowded than on Saturday night. Enough persons turned out to buy seats, and were met with disappointment, to fill several more theatres than were

One of the largest benefits was in the Casino Theatre under the auspices of the California Club. The ticket sales amounted Allfornia Club. The ticket sales amounted os \$3,800. More than \$500 more was realized from flowers and programmes which were sold by several members of the "Social Whirl" company and the Professional Woman's League. Among the latter were Miss Ada Lewis, the Baroness de Kantstein, Mrs. Ralph Delmore, Mrs. C. J. H. Child and Mrs. Edgin Andra, who was chairman. Mrs. Raiph Deimore, Mrs. C.J. H. Child and Mrs. Edwin Arden, who was chairman Every ticket and all the standing room had been sold when the doors opened at 6 c'clock. Many appeared content to stand in front of the theatre and look at the

Among the numbers were the Bootblack chorus from "The Social Whiri"; Mrs. Fiske and company in the fourth act of "Becky and company in the fourth act of "Becky Sharp" and Margaret Anglin and company in the third act of "Zira." Others who appeared were La Belle Blanche, Melville Ellis, Henry Woodruff, Fred Waiton, Blanche Ring, Louis Dresser, Blanche Deyo, Will T. Hodge, Maude Raymond, Estelle Wentworth, Beverly Sitgreaves, Beecher Collins, Mme, Rosalba and Marguerite Clark.

Inspector Walsh had a large force of policemen to preserve order at the big Hippodrome benefit and they were needed. Thousands came who were unable to buy seats at any price. Nearly 1,000 persons took part in the entertainment, which was mostly a concert by Victor Herbert and

a concert by Victor Herbert and

The orchestra was assisted by 300 members of the Aschenbroedel Club. There was a big chorus made up from the Fritzi Scheff opera company, the "Free Lance" opera company and the Hippodrome company. The vaudeville included Miss Marie Dressler, Miss Vesta Victoria, Peter F. Dailey and his company, the Fays, Grace Field and company, Gus Edwards and company and the ballet from "The Society Circus." The orchestra was assisted by 300 mem

Mme. Schumann-Heink sang two songs The total receipts, including the sale of flowers and programmes, amounted to

\$7,000.

Ted Marks had his annual jubilee at the American Theatre and gave half the proceeds to the San Francisco fund. Only the regular popular prices were asked for seats. More than \$400 was realized for the fund.

In the afternoon the Volunteers of America held a mass meeting under the direction of Ballington Booth in the Knickerbocker. Several addresses were made. Gen. Booth said that he hoped the big audience would contribute at least \$3,000. audience would contribute at least \$3,000. More than \$7,000 was pledged when the meeting closed.

At the Murray Hill Theatre the Ancient

At the Murray Hill Theatre the Ancient Order of Hiberrians held a concert and lecture. About \$1,000 was realized.

Another big benefit was held at the Academy of Music for the Actors' Fund. The proceeds are to be forwarded to San Francisco to be used in ameliorating the distress among the members of the profession there. More than \$2,700 was realized. The big Academy of Music was packed to its utmost capacity.

held a mass meeting at the Majestic Theatre in the afternoon and raised \$700. Mme. Marcella Sembrich has postponed Mme. Marcella Semorica has postponed her departure for Europe in order to give a recital at Carnegie Hall on Monday afternoon, May 7, in eid of the chorus and orchestra of the Metropolitan Opera Company, who suffered so much through the catastrophe in San Francisco. The members of the orchestra have lost their introduction of the contraction of the cont struments and are thus deprived of their means of livelihood, and the members of the chorus are destitute.

Seats and boxes may be had from the committee at the Hotel Savoy, at Tyson's agencies and at the Metropolitan Opera House.

#### A LABOR BENEFIT PARADE.

March Unions Have Sent Money.

A committee appointed last week by the Central Federated Union to arrange for a eeries of benefits for the San Francisco sufferers reported yesterday. It recom-mended the holding of a labor carnival on mended the holding of a labor calibration May 6, when there will be a parade of workingmen. The people along the line of march are to be requested to throw money into American flags which will be held out purse

The delegate of the Brotherhood of Car-renters said that the New York district council of the brotherhood had sent \$3,000 to San Francisco. The rockmen had sent \$250 and other unions reported that they had sent contributions and assessed their members for the relief fund.

The Best Way of Sending Money to San Francisco.

WASHINGTON, April 29 .- In response to messages asking for information as to the best way of sending money to San Francisco, the Red Cross beadquarters here are sending word that if other agencies than the Red Cross are used there is likely to be a long delay, perhaps of weeks. Mr. Magee, secretary of the national organizaexplains the matter as follows

"As there are no banks in operation in San Francisco, there is no way for checks or drafts to be honored, while under the method of centralizing the Red Cross funds in Washington and handling the funds through the Government Treasury, tele-graphic remittances can be attended to on the same day in the San Francisco Subsame day in the San Francisco Sub-

#### Women Blacking Shoes to Raise Money for

Rellef Fund. WASHINGTON, April 29 .- In an effort to raise money for the San Francisco relief women of All Soul's Unitarian Church which numbers some prominent public mer among its congregation, are blacking shoes and selling shoe laces in the church build-ing. Several hundred dollars have been realized through this means.

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# HOW TAFT SPENT THE MONEY

AND WHY FRISCO WILL GET ONLY \$300,000 CASH.

The Remainder of the \$2,500,000, or Most of It, Has Been or Will Be Expended as Congress Directed, in Replenishing Army Supplies Sent to the Stricken City.

WASHINGTON, April 29.- The statement

made to the citizen's relief committee in

San Francisco yesterday by former Mayor James D. Phelan that only about \$300,000 of the \$1,000,000 appropriated by Congress for succoring the distressed in the stricken city would be used directly in actual relief work was confirmed by War Department officials to-day An exact statement will probably not be obtained until the return to Washington of Secretary Taft, who is in ONE CAME ON A GIRL STENOGRA-Connecticut, but the general understanding among his subordinates is that the status of the case is practically the same as made known by Mr. Phelan, namely, that most of the money would be used in replenishing army supplies furnished to the San Francisco people and in covering the amounts expended out of Regular army appropriations

r freight and other thing s. Acting Secretary of War Oliver said this evening that all except about \$300,000 of the \$2,500,000 appropriated had been or would be used in purchasing new medical. quartermaster's and subsistence supplies for the army, to take the place of those sent to San Francisco and for the payment of freight rates, telegraph service, &c. incurred on account of the disaster.

In a letter to the President, written on April 21 and sent to Congress on the same day, Secretary Taft recommended an additional appropriation of \$1,000,000 on account of the San Francisco catastrophe and made plain that the money was necessary to replace relief supplies taken from the army stores. This letter of Mr. Taft's appeared to have been overlooked by the San Francisco relief committee or misunderstood by its members and by Mr. Phelan, who is chairman of the finance committee. The idea of the relief committee, according to despatches from San Francisco, was that the entire appropriation of \$2,500,000 was to be used in the relief work in addition to the supplies taken from

the stores at hand in army depots. in the resolution adopted by Congress making the first appropriation for relief there was no provision requiring the Secretary of War to use the money to replenish army stores. In the second appropriation resolution, however, such a provision was inserted at the suggestion of Secretary Taft, and it was made applicable to the first as well as to the second amount appropriated. The suggestion of Secretary Taft was contained in the following para-

graph of his letter to the President: "The present resolution authorizes the Francisco. The supplies which have been sent have been taken out of the regular army depots and were necessary for the support and use of the army. I respectfully suggest, therefore, that in the next resolution which I hope Congress may pass specific authority be given to the Secretary of War to use both the \$1,000,000 already appropriated and the amount which may be appropriated in the recommended resolution, either to purchase supplies for the relief of San Francisco or to replace by purchase the supplies taken from the regular army stores for such relief purposes."

The War Department will not use any of the \$2,500,000 to buy tents to take the place of those sent to San Francisco. The Department regards these tents as a total loss, and Secretary Taft will ask Congress to appropriate \$1,084,000 to replace them. This item will be included in an urgent deficiency estimate to be submitted this week

## OTHER TOWNS WILL REBUILD.

BAKERS, IELD, Cal., April 29.—The rest of the State is following the lead of San Francisco and getting ready to rebuild and go

at it again. The cities which have the most to do are San José and Santa Rosa. The damage at other points is not excessive; perhaps

Salinas is the next heaviest sufferer. There the Spreckles sugar factory, which was twisted out of share by the earthquake, has begun an addition which will cost \$250,000. Damage was heavier at Hollister, one of the oldest towns in northern California and the county stat of San

Benito, than was reported at first. It is estimated at half a million.

A loss which will be felt by all Californians is that of old San Juan Bautista Mission, ten miles away. One whole wall fell outyard, and the college next door was razed It may be possible to restore a part of the Mission building. The ancient adobe across the street, in which Fremont was living when he went out at the news of the declaration of war to hoist the American flag over California, was badly damaged. One

le was lost at San Juan. Dr. Leopold Stockton, superintendent of Agnews Asylum for the Insane, where more than 100 were killed, has recommended to Goy. Pardee that the new buildings should be only two stories high and that they should be fireproof. One hundred and one bodies have been taken out of the wreck of the asylum. One hundred of the most violent at Stockton; the remaining 850 are being cared for in tents on the grounds while cal-

#### LOSSES OF RAILROADS SLIGHT. Spirit Shown by San Franciscans a Surprise to Eastern People.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., April 29 .- Santa Railroad officials ho hurried to San Francisco to look over the situation rassed brough here last night on their way East. Vice-President Geor, e A. Nicholson, who succeeded Paul Morton, said that the Santa Fe's losses on the Oakland and Fa Frane sco terminals ere co paratively light. The ofce in an Francisco was lost in the tre. The records were removed to the st. Francis Hotel for safe eeping, but hen the fire reached the hotel they were

He added that the hopeful attitude of th people and the determination to rebuild get to work again was surprising to terners. John J. Byrne of the same company said:

"San Francisco will be a better city than ever. The spirit of progress is aflame and construction will be rapid." They all spoke with approval of H. E. Huntington's plan of creating a fund for professional men who lost their offices, instruments and libraries in the fire. Business and professional menthroughout Business and professional men throughout California have tushed in subscriptions. Mrs. Huntington has given \$30,000 to this fund. Supreme Court Justice Henshaw, W. F. Herrin, Dr. F. K. Ainsworth, Judge McKinley, George J. Denis and John T. Gaffney are assisting in this work.

### \$5.534 From Brooklyn Red Cross.

The Brooklyn division of the Red Cross met in the Kings county Court House yesterday afternoon, Col. Edward E. Britton presiding. It was reported that \$5,534.18 had been sent to Treasurer Schiff of the New York State Red Cross during the week, and that there was a balance of \$422.33 or hand. Several organizations reported that they would turn their subscriptions over to the Brooklyn division during the week. Several carloads of provisions and clothing had been sent to San Francisco by the Brooklyn division.

#### How the Robin Escaped Being a Rabbit

"If I hadn't a red breast I might have had long ears," said the robin. Might-haves make a world of difference. Many a man finds that out when life-insuring time is over for him.
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#### ODD NOTES FROM BURNING CITY

PHER'S LINEN CUFF.

me Forwarded Unstamped Letter and Telegram From Brookdale Arrived on the Same Day and Reported New York Shaken and Chicago Submerged.

A lot of queer things have filtered through the mails into New York from the doubly afflicted city of San Francisco, now that the mails are working regularly. The post office authorities apparently stuck it out to the last and made some effort to collect the letters in the mail boxes ahead of the fire; for some of the letters of the first and second days, while postmarked Oakland, seem from the contents to have been mailed in San Francisco. A part of them bear no stamps; Uncle Sam let the stamps go for once

stenographer employed in a Wall Street office. Her sister, fleeing from the fire the first morning, had a pencil, but no paper. She scratched "Burned out, but all safe," on a linen cuff; and that came through, postmarked Oakland.

A woman living with her two daughters in Berkeley writes that they have eight refugees packed into their house. Among them are two music teachers, a domestic servant and a Spanish woman. They are cooking meals for the whole family on one small oil stove; the gas stove is out of business. The servant, when she ran away from her house, snatched up a pet maltese For three days she wandered through Oakland, making her way finally to Berkeley; and all the way she carried the cat, which she fed from her own bread line supplies. A newspaper man on Park row has a

family living at Brookdale, in the Santa Cruz Mountains, eighty miles from San Francisco. For three days they could send no news, because the broad gauge railroad which runs in that direction had all its steel trestles twisted and the narrow gauge had a caved in tunnel. As the postmark showed, the first letter and a teleexpenditure of money for the relief of San gram were sent from Santa Cruz on the same day, and both letter and telegram arrived in New York on the same day. This family had taken to the hills because of the succession of little earthquakes, and at night they were watching the light which showed where the city was burning. eighty miles away. News had got through to them in the mysterious way news has of to them in the mysterious way news has of travelling when the wires are down, and they had a pretty fair idea of what was doing in San Francisco, but the letter adds:

"We hear that New York was badly shaken up and that Chicago has been overrun by a tidal wave from the lakes."

Another hurried and confused letter high terms out of Ookland the second

came out of Oakland the second

The whole front of Delmonico's fell out at once. This is a good joke here. We are so full of horror that we are glad to have something to laugh at." To a resident of San Francisco the things which might be revealed by an open face view of Delmonico's are compelling to

the imagination estimate to be submitted this week.

OTHER TOWNS WILL REBUILD.

Earthquake Damage Outside of San Francisco to Be Repaired at Once.

The imagination.

"Escaped with my cigarette case: otherwise everything is gone," reads a message scratched on a postal card,

"You came pretty near finishing me when you gave me that big Winged Victory." reads another letter. "Just as I stampeded through the door it dropped within an inch of my nose and broke on he floor. At least, it made me spare a

ment of thought for you. "Have been digging on the streets all day; as the building is a wreck and there seems to be no chance of resuming I suppose that is what I'll be doing for some time. Still, I'm alive and the exercise is doing me good," writes a San Francisco busi-

#### FOOD REFUSED TO REFUGEES. Party of Eight Coming to New York Have

to Appeal to Police in Pittsburg. PITISBURG, April 29. - Food was refused eight refugees from San Francisco here this morning at the Union station restaurant, and it was only after police interference

that they were fed. They were en route to New York. In the party were Robert J. Barkelle and his sister Helena of 110 East 112th street, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wheeler and their five-year-old son, Haroid, of 240 Hart street. Brooklyn; Miss Agnes Clover, a hospital nurse, of Bangor, Me.; William McIntyre, a New York vaudeville artist, and Charles Richardson, a New York bartender.

Mr. Wheeler lost \$70,000 in the San Francisco disaster. The little Wheeler boy totally blind, the result of an explosion fire following the earthquake. Clover has two fractured ribs, a bad scalp wound and paralysis of the vocal chords. All of the others are suffering from slight

They travelled night and day since leaving San Francisco in day coaches, arriving here penniless. When they applied at the Pennsylvania company restaurant in the Union station for food they were promptly refused, and an appeal was made to the

Assistant Supt. E. J. Kennelly and Detective Oscar Seifert went with them to the restaurant manager. He said a mistake had been made and ordered them fed. Supt. Kennelly bought them all sleeping car tickets to New York, and they left for that city this evening.

#### STANFORD'S DAMAGE.

President Jordan Says \$200,000 Will Pay for Immediate Repairs.

NEW HAVEN, April 29 .- A letter has been received by a member of the Yale faculty from President David Starr Jordan of Leland Stanford University about the amount of damage done at the university by the earthquake. The shock damaged what are known as the "show buildings," and the greater part of the working build-ings are only slightly damaged and will dy for use in about two weeks

"It is not likely that the losses will make any material change in our policy," he says. "It will be necessary to restore the injuries done to the quadrangle, the dor-mitories and the chemical laboratories. All these damages put together, however, will not exceed \$200,000. The chief loss is to the church and to the buildings used for experimental purposes."

#### Thanks for New York's Sympathy and Help. ALBANY, April 29.-Gov. Higgins to-day eceived the following telegram from the Governor of California:

OAKLAND, Cal., April 26. Frank W. Higgins, Albany, N. Y.
Yours of April 19 just at hand assuring us of sympathy and help of your people. We are under deep obligations for the help New York so promptly and generously sent us Situation fairly good. No great distress and no sickness.

## HOMECOMING OF REFUGEES.

SHOCKS FOR MANY WHO FLED FROM THE BURNING CITY.

They Find the Houses They Abandoned Occupied by Undestrable Folks-Relie Hunters and Looters Brave Danger as They Seek for Valuables in the Ruins.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.-Among the depressing sights that are now daily features of life in the uptown part of the city are the homecomings of refugees who fled the city on the three nights of terror and flame last week. Hundreds left their homes with doors open and hurried across the bay or down the peninsula in carts, automobiles, milk wagons, anything with supporting wheels, taking with them only the very precious treasures of their homes. Now they are dropping back into their

city to find that the soldiers have appropriated their homes and lodged therein families whose roofs no longer stand. Under the orders of the military head quarters all empty houses were impressed into the service of sheltering the homeless. On Oak street this morning an old style bus, with a woman, her father and her four children variously placed in the crevices of the household baggage disposed therein, drew up at a small white cottage. All of the children scrambled out with shouts of joy and the housewife climbed over the rolls of bedding to the street. Her face brightened with the smile of anticipation.

Behind a wooden shelter against the west wing stood a cook stove, propped up on piles of brick, and over this bent One of the queerest of these came to a an Italian woman cooking the morning meal. When the returning family had walked around the wooden shelter they discovered that the stove was theirs.

Almost at the same minute there an peared in the open front door of their cottage a heavy, slovenly man in red undershirt and carpet slippers. He dragged a plush patent rocking chair to the stoop and sat down to read his paper. That chair was theirs and the stoop which the tattered Italian had appropriated was what had once been theirs also. The woman who had returned from the flight sat down on the steps of the bus and wept.

At another residence on Page street-a stone front apartment house-a returning family found that some kind faced Germans had been moved into their quarters during their absence.

"Oh, my Dickey; have you taken good care of my Dickey?" was the first question that sprang to the lips of the matron who had returned to claim her home. \*Dickey is it?" queried a buxom house-

wife, with her sleeves rolled up over red "You mean the birdie? Oh, he is all right," and, smiling, she pointed to a hook above her head where swung a canary. "Now I don't care." announced the misress of the house, with a definitive nod of

her head. But with the return of panic stricken families comes also to the city a horde of people like hyenas to the ruins of Babylon. who seek spoils among the fallen stones of the burnt district. The fine distinction that has been forced upon the recognition of the military, that distinction between a looter and a curiosity hunter, has saved more than one vandal from being shot outright within the last few days.

RELIC HUNTERS BUN RISKS. San Francisco is being overrun with an army of idle relic seekers, who rummage beneath perilous walls, invade half burned houses and even search the stones of the streets for curios of greater or lesser value which they can take home with them. Satchels, suit cases, even gunny sacks

are requisitioned to carry off loot that would make even a Russian in Pekin blush with the recognition of his own modesty. Anything that does not need to be carried off in a dray is fair game for these vandals. The stuff that they are hourly carrying intrinsic value. It comprises chinaware miraculously spared destruction in the fire, twisted brasswork from old curio stores, iewelry that has been dropped in the mad flight of terror stricken householders in the days of the fire, even paintings, torn from the

frames, which had been carried from high priced studios and stored in time of haste in some insecure spot. The persistence of these curio looters knows not fear of death, either from toppling walls or the bullets of a sentry's gun. In the ruins of the Emporium, which are enclosed by a shell of masonry so weak that a strong wind would send it crashing down, a score of busy folk dug and prodded in smouldering heaps of stuff until driven

out of the premises by guards employed by the managers of the firm themselves. SEEKING CHINATOWN LOOT. Up in Chinatown, where the bazaars of the wealthy merchants once housed art reasures in silver, ivory and bronze, a small army of prowlers has been busy poking the ashes and straining treasures from the slag. A great deal of porcelain by some freak of the flames has been spared and this offers the particular field for the

vandals' endeavor. On the sites of the pawnbrokers' shops much rich stuff has been recovered. Bits of silver, random scraps of jewelry in which a precious stone may remain unharmed by the heat, and even parts of ournt fur muffs and boas have been pulled from the ashes and dusted and carried off.

Where the Crocker and Hopkins mansions once stood there has been such a persistent attempt on the part of the looters to get their fingers into the smouldering piles of ruins that guards have been established about the premises and no one is allowed to approach. Along the west side of Van Ness avenue, down the length of Golden Gate avenue and on the sites of the Sutter and Bush street apartment houses are other favored fields for the looters delying. Here lumps of molten silver, ornaments of glass and stray pieces of jewelry

are the lures that call for this curio mining. One woman was seen this morning carrying away from the ruins of a house on the corner of Jones and Sutter streets the drive wheel and upper works of a sewing machine. The iron was stripped of its paint and the machinery was hopelessly twisted, but the feminine mind is quick to divine the ways of economy and the particular loot in this case may even serve as the pulley on some

aerial clothesline.

Down in front of the City Hall this morning six looters had assembled and were comparing and swapping their spoils; one of them had two suit cases full of junk. which he swung from his shoulders on a stick, Chinamanwise. With this burden on his shoulders he trotted gravely down the

"Oh, I guess this is going some," cheerfully announced a rough looking young gentleman who staggered up the street under the weight of a mirror in a gilt frame. The frame was tarnished by smoke, and grains of soot streaked the glass, but not a crack attested to the stress of quake and

An old man with a garden rake spent his morning hours gravely subjecting the ashes of his former home to a careful overhauling

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the pathetic quaver of age and sorrow in ten and twenty feet, such as those possible his voice. "I had two razors which my to be built without securing a building grandfather carried through the War of license from the Board of Public Works, 1812 and the Mexican War. They are good according to the recent order of Mayor razors and I guess the fire has done them | Schmitz, would cost about four or five

WOMEN POKE IN STORE BUINS.

Where Wainstock & Lubin's big dry goods store used to stand a bevy of young Hadden had already secured a lease of women, their skirts boldly raised to their land on Kansas street and had begun the knees, waded from girder to girder with construction of a temporary building masses of débris with short sticks, though to the meeting the offer of the Timothy the unsupported back wall of the building | Hopkins estate, which put 194,000 square towered above their heads and a puff of wind might have showered them with I EASES FOR BUSI ESS MEN.

Most important of the many rapid developments in the business situation in San Francisco was the meeting held yesterday morning at 2261 Fillmore street by the executive committee of the San Francisco Wiplesders' Ampration and the directors of the San Francisco Real Estate Board. At this meeting the realty promised e ery aid in securing sites for the wholesalers to settle upon temporarily keep them from going to Oakland or

adjacent cities. At the session this morning Directors J. I. Mr. Rich's motion. Howell and F. A. Magee of the real estate board told the wholesalers of promises that had been made them by representatives of both the Southern Pacific and the Western Pacific railroads to the effect that all the property owned by those two giant corporations along the tracks of South Market street and in the vicinity of Islais Creek which is not now used for the purpose of chants at the lowest possible rates for the erection thereon of temporary structures of corrugated iron, wherein they may trans- was accompanied by Chang Pao Chi, acting act their business until permanent quarters | Consul-General of San Francisco. He

can be rebuilt. "I have to tell the wholesalers." said Mr. Magee, "that yesterday I talked with I. W. Hellman, who has the personal assurance of President Harriman of the Southern Pacific that in order to prevent wholesale dealers of this city from removing their concerns to Oakland the Southern Pacific would lease them all their spare land along Brannan, King, Channel and Third streets one year or more, as the exigencies of the

case might require.' Mr. Harriman and Herrin recently and that | put to good advantage. these two railroad men had given him like assurances.

"We can give the wholesalers our assurances," continued Mr. Howell, "that the real estate board will give them every bit | San Francisco, he said, "and will be donated of cooperation within their power in securing sites on this side of the bay. It is as much to our interests as to yours that you town from the city proper and segregating remain in San Francisco." It was brought out by reference to maps

of the Southern Pacific and Western Pacific that the former company could lease at Chinatown will remain within the city. least 1,000,000 square feet to the merchants for building purposes and that the Gould people were in a position to lease about half as much The question was raised by the whole-

would be as likely to be as generous in their dealings as the corporations. "We have leased 38,000 square feet at \$200 a month | about that, in fact." for the new building of the real estate board on the corner of Filton and Van Ness, replied Mr. Howell. "and the leases are given us for one year. We believe that is will do for the interests of San Francisco."

Architect W. J. Miller of the firm of Hemingway & Miller was called in to give specifications as to what the price of construcporary use would be. After brief compu-"I'm hunting for my razors," said he, with lation he announced that buildings between from the Cantonese mandarins.

cents a cubic foot.

It was announced that the wholesale hardware firm of Dunham, Carrigan & thereon. G. C. Boardman, Jr., conveye feet at the disposal of the wholesalers. This property lies on Townsend street between Fourth and Fifth, on the south side of Bluxom street and on the north side of Townsend street between Seventh

A. J. Rich of the real estate board offered a motion that it be the sentiment of the meeting that since the California insurance companies had guaranteed to pay their losses dollar for dollar the Eastern companies would be expected to do likewise, but as no formal organization was represented by the joint meeting of the real estate directors and the wholesalers' committee Chairman Howall refused to put

DOWAGER EMPRESS'S GIFT. Tsz Chi, first secretary of the Chinese legation at Washington, called at the Oakland City Hall this morning to see Gov. Pardee as the personal representative of Sir Chentung Liang-Cheng, Chinese Minister, and to convey a formal message of sympathy from the Dowager Empress for the loss resultant from the fire warehouse sites, would be leased to the mer- and earthquake in San Francisco. Chow bore a letter of introduction to the Governor from Secretary of State Root and was resplendent in a magenta robe of cashmere and attracted considerable attention from the waiting school teachers and City Hall attaches gathered about the

office of the Board of Public Works. The \$75,000 offered by the Dowager Empress for the relief of San Francisco has not been accepted by the State Department, but in the opinion of Secretary Chow it will nevertheless be sent here and used at the lowest possible rates and for terms of The Empress, it appears, while appreciating the etiquette which has inspired the State Department to refuse the money Mr. Howell said that he had seen both in an official way, believes that it can be

Secretary Chow was careful to point out that this money was not to be exclusively devoted to the needs of the Chinese. The money is intended for the relief of

Chow was asked about removing China-

the Chinese on the outskirts. "I have heard a lot of talk about that." he replied, "but I don't believe it; I think If there have been any complaints against the Chinese as a class in San Francisco. I have not heard of them. Of course there may be some reason for giving the new Chinatown a new location when the work salers as to whether private individuals of rebuilding the city begins, but nothing definite is probably known as yet about It's a little too early to tal.

The Chinese consulate has been established in Berkeley for the present, at 2215 Ellsworth street. Secretary Chow will make this address his headquarters during a good example of what private individuals his stay here. Besides the \$75,000 to come from the Empress Dowager, \$40,000 has been raised at Hongkong through the different trade guilds for relief work. This money will in all probability be used especially tion on galvanized iron buildings for tem- for aiding the Chinese. More money for the same purpose is also expected to arrive